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- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Assignment to \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Assignment is of record in prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Assignment Recordation Form Cover Sheet.
- ☐ Charge \$40.00 to Deposit Account No. 10-1250 for recording Assignment.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement and/or Information Disclosure Citation
- ☐ English translation
- ☒ Small Entity Declaration
- ☒ filed herewith
- ☐ filed in prior application and status is still proper and desired.
- ☐ Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provisions of 35 USC 119.
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- ☒ have been filed in the International Bureau ☐ were filed in prior application No. \_\_\_\_\_
- German Patent Appln. No. 196 47 341.1-53 filed November 15, 1996.**
- ☐ This is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This is a ☐ continuation, ☐ division, ☐ continuation-in-part, of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_, --

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